



# THE LOUISVILLE WEEKLY COURIER--A CHEAP PAPER FOR THE MAN OF BUSINESS, THE FARMER, AND THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

## WEEKLY COURIER

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### Notice!

All papers are lawfully discontinued at the expiration of the time paid for. The very low price of the paper compels us to make this rule imperative.

Our friends will always be glad to hear from our friends, and will be thankful for occasional letters from all parts of the State and the great Mississippi Valley, containing important news, local gossip, &c., &c.

Advertisers are requested to send their notices to the Postoffice where it is received as well as the case to which it is to be sent.

Advertisers can omit postage stamps when sending. By doing so, they will have no difficulty in getting the paper for the fractional price of a dollar.

### Horse Bills.

We are prepared to print, at the shortest notice and lowest prices, HORSE AND JACK BILLS, with good cuts and well displayed types.

ED Orders by mail or otherwise promptly attended to.

### Important Notice.

We have no traveling or other agents for the Courier, for whom we are responsible. Persons, therefore, subcribing for it, should never give their money to us; they are not themselves willing to trust us.

### Marriages in Kentucky.

The registration reports prepared by Dr. Sutton, of Georgetown, furnish a vast fund of interesting statistics concerning the matrimonial instincts of the people of Kentucky. During the last year there were five thousand six hundred and eighty-eight marriages in the State. Of these the greater number occurred in the county of Jefferson, and the least in McLean county. The favorite month for consummating marriage was those in the winter, December taking the lead. The least propitious for the burning of Hymenial torches, is July; nor need we wonder. There is surely little in the wearer heats of that season of dog-days to excuse the creation of any closer bonds or affinities than are necessary.

The favorite matrimonial period for females is between the ages of sixteen and twenty years. The second period is the same as that of the males, between twenty and twenty-five. The third is between twenty-five and thirty, and so in gradation until we arrive at the age of seventy years, at which period two ladies married. One girl married at twenty years of age, and several under fifteen years. One female under twenty married a man aged seventy; and we have one man at twenty-five years marrying a woman aged sixty-five. But these disparate unions of May and December are happily few and far between. Twenty men over seventy years were married, and three hundred and forty-six individuals under twenty years.

The Fugitives of Canada—it is now estimated that 30,000 fugitives are already in Canada, chiefly of the class of able-bodied men and women. These, at home, would average in value \$1,000, or at least \$600, summing up \$24,000,000, the absolute loss to the capital of four States. But added to this, there are still remaining in the Northern States, as servants, &c., about 6,000 negroes, who, not fearing pursuit, have not crossed into Canada. These, at \$1,000 each—a low figure for first-class slaves, as the runaways have to lose, and from which they have no resort.

CLOTHING—WOMEN IN CHOIRS, &c.—The Episcopal Churchmen, of New York, is in a pack of trouble again, we are sorry to see. He thinks the clergy, in these days, are too much addicted to wedlock. Ministers, he thinks, should not be encumbered with the care of a family—their hard times—and go hence, therefore, for "celibacy." Women in choirs is another trouble. They create, and figure in scandalous scenes behind the curtain. He goes, therefore, for turning the women out, and putting chorister boys in their places. Wicked women!

FIRES.—On the night of the 6th inst., the north wing of the Lunatic Asylum, at Jackson, Miss., was destroyed by fire. Loss ten to twenty thousand dollars. The main building was unincurred.

The Female Institute, at Macon, Tennessee, was burnt down on the 10th inst. Loss ten thousand dollars.

On the night of the 14th inst., the business houses of A. G. Cosley, Thos. Clark, Collier & Brewster, G. A. Barnes, Crockett & Ransom and J. A. Collier & Co., at Murfreesboro, Tenn., were destroyed by fire.

PACIFIC RAILROAD.—The bill introduced in the U. S. Senate on the 6th instant, to provide for the construction of a railroad and telegraph from the Mississippi river to the Pacific Ocean, grants the construction thereof to Samuel Branson, C. K. Garrison, John C. Fall, Robert McClellan, Geo. Read Riddle, Sidney S. Baxter, Alexander R. Butler, Wm. Schouler, George Greene and their associates.

PEOPLES IN THE COUNTRY.—We are busily engaged in making tree sugar and molasses. We are told that the water which flows from the trees is so very sweet this season that one-third less of it is required to make a gallon of molasses than in ordinary seasons.

ALBANY CELEBRATION.—The annual meeting of Potomac Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Alexandria, takes place on the 19th of April next. Rev. James A. Dickey will deliver the address. It is expected that a large number of distinguished persons will be present to participate in the ceremonies on the occasion.

CHORUS IN A SYNAGOGUE.—The N. Y. Times notices a novel feature in the religious services of the Jews of that city, which is nothing less than choir singing. No instrument, however, is allowed except a pitch pipe. The Times says: "Curiously indeed sounded in our ears, sang by Jews, the air, 'I know that my Redeemer liveth.'"

OLD TENEZ.—In Columbia, S. C., the old English customs have not yet died out. The Sheriff of the court still goes to the Judge's residence attired in a cocked hat and wearing a sword, to escort his Honor to the court room; and the Judge goes covered with a long silk robe, in which he takes his seat on the bench.

ED On Sunday, March 16, folks up in Pewee Valley went to church in despite, the ground becoming wet with snow to the depth of three or four inches. However, after service, when they went home, they found a good deal more mud than the chimney, and that is partially destroyed.

ED The Journal of Commerce says that the recent election in New York show, on the whole, a decided Democratic gain and a Know-Nothing loss, compared with the vote of last November.

The Know-Nothing papers at the North which support the Philadelphia nominations are at work trying to prove that Fillmore is as good and reliable an anti-slavery man as can be found.

ED Rev. Charles Beecher introduced the "moustache movement" into a church, where he preached at Lawrence, Massachusetts. Now the deacons and many of the members have given up using razors!

ED The Journal of Commerce says that the whole of the country is to be a papa this week. If a son, the juvenile is to be christened "King of Angels."

ED Hon. Samuel Buskirk, a distinguished Democratic speaker, addresses the people of New Albany to-night.

ED Harrison & Chapin, of Milwaukee, produce, failed in consequence of the decline in breadstuffs.

ED Both the New York Central and Erie were clear of snow, Saturday, and were running regularly.

ED Flour and grain are declining with sales of the former yesterday at \$5.50 per barrel in lots.

ED Rev. John Miller, a well known Methodist preacher, died in Covington on the 7th inst.

ED A fire in a fifteenth street, New York, a few days since, a Mrs. Davis only escaped being burned to death by getting on the roof of the house. She is in a dangerous condition in consequence of having inhaled the hot air. A child in her arms was suffocated by the smoke.

ED The Pittsburgh Postlets of a case of crime, con made public, before a physician of a high standing, in a neighboring village, and a lady of that city who moves in the upper circles of society. Bad word this.

ED The rite and cause recently seized at Lexington, Mo., on their way to Kansas, were in boxes marked "Carpenter's tools." They were sent by one of the Eastern Emigrant Aid Societies for the use of the Kansas Abolitionists.

ED Emigrants, properly equipped, are leaving South Carolina for Kansas.

### The Transylvania Normal School.

We are glad that the glories of old Transylvania, which have been of late years in a great degree tarnished, are about to be renewed. That seat of learning—the Alma Mater of many of the most prominent politicians in the country—is about being converted into a school for the education of teachers. In other years it has accomplished great good, the fruits of which are yet manifested in every department of learning. We hope that this reorganization may be as productive of benefit to the educational interest of the land, as the former teachings of the University have been powerful in shaping the legal, medical and political opinions of the South-west.

The act of organization provides for a board of trustees, of which the Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals, the Attorney General, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall be ex-officio members; every county in the State is allowed to put one pupil at the proposed normal school, continually, free of charge, and every county having more than one representative, and every city having separate representatives, shall allow one pupil to each representative (making 116 pupils in all); these pupils shall be selected by the school commissioners; shall be between 16 and 30 years of age—shall be residents two years in the State and one in the county from which they originally came, shall receive gratuitous instruction for two years, and \$10 per week, and shall give a written pledge to pursue the profession of teacher in their respective counties at least as long as they themselves have been taught; after receiving one year's instruction, shall teach in his own county one year, and then returning shall receive another year's instruction, and then teach another year in his county; and after he has taught as long a time as he himself was taught, he may receive one more year's instruction upon the same condition.

The Albany (N. Y.) Knickerbocker says that several of the Know-Nothing lodges in that city are about to have a split—the men retiring for the purpose of organizing lodges of their own.

The New London (Conn.) Chronicle supports the State Know-Nothing nominations, but repudiates Fillmore and Donelson.

The New York Herald, which has heretofore favored the Know-Nothing, says the idea of the election of Fillmore is preposterous.

In New Jersey the Newark Mercury and the Morris County Journal repudiate the nominations. The Jerseys do not know whether to treat them as equals, or as a bunch of scoundrels.

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The Portland (Me.) Advertiser repudiates the ticket. A number of leading New England papers remain silent on the subject.

The Pittsburg Dispatch, Pittsburg Commercial Journal, Carlisle Herald, Lewistown Gazette, Mauch Chunk Gazette, and many other papers of prominence, know-Nothing journals in Pennsylvania, refuse to support the nomination of Mr. Fillmore.

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The New Brunswick (New Jersey) says that from a conversation with several of the peopple of the Know-Nothing party, he has learned that Fillmore is preposterous.

The Philadelphia North American, sums up the prospects of the Know-Nothing as follows:

**PRESIDENTIAL PROSPECTS.**—The journals of Pennsylvania have all come to the conclusion that Fillmore will be easily defeated in the Presidential ticket nominated by the recent National Know-Nothing Convention. The Erie Gazette, Lancaster Independent Whig, and York (Pa.) Advocate, all high toned conservative papers, refuse to support the ticket. Those who did not support it, however, do not seem to have any particular reason for doing so.

It is a most miraculous escape from death, and those noble spirits who were in the boat when the bark had sprung a leak, and was about to sink, are still alive.

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